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Ex parte ERIC S. ABRUTYN, LOUIS J. SCARFO and RICHARD C. CHROMECEK

Appeal No. 95-2923 Application 08/058,163¹ MAILED

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ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

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On November 22, 1993, the applicant filed an amendment (Paper No. 6) designated as Amendment "B". The amendment has a notation "NE" in red indicating that an amendment to Column 19, line 27 was not entered. While the Examiner appears to have communicated to the applicant an explanation of why the term in question was added in the Office action entered May 16, 1994 (Paper No. 7), there is no clear statement indicating that the amendment will or will not be entered. It is noted that the Appendix of the claims on appeal have the term in question deleted line 4 of claim 1.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the Examiner for clarification of the status of Paper No. 6 and for such further action as may be appropriate.

The application, by virtue of its "special" status, requires immediate action. See Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, \$ 708.01(d). It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the appeal.

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